

24. Purified by the filters the observer  
of man,  
the sovereign of both gods and mortals, the lord  
of  
abundant wealth (*Soma* is twofold;<sup>1</sup> *Indu*  
bears  
the auspicious collected water.

25. Hasten (SOMA) to give food to  
INDRA and  
VATU like a horse, for (the sake of giving  
us)  
food, to acquire wealth; give us abundant  
thousand-  
fold food; SOMA, when filtered, become the  
dispenser  
of riches.

Varga xvi. 26. May the *Somtf* juices which are  
gratifying to  
the gods when poured around (into the  
vessels)  
bring us a dwelling and male offspring—  
(the juices)  
endeavouring to gain the favour (of the  
gods),<sup>2</sup>  
desired by all offering (to the gods) in  
heaven like  
the ministrant priests, most  
exhilarating.

26. Divine SOMA, who art the  
beverage of the  
gods, flow at the sacrifice for (their) abundant  
food;  
urged on (by thee) may we overcome even  
mighty  
(foes) in battle; purified do thou render heaven  
and  
earth happy abodes (for us).

27. Yoked by the priests, thou  
neigheest like a  
horse, ~ (thou art) terrible as a lion, swifter  
than  
thought; LS<sup>T</sup>BTJ, pour happiness upon us by those  
which are the mo'st direct of the paths  
leading

hitherward.

29. Thy hundred streams  
manifested for the

<sup>1</sup> *i.e.* abides amongst both gods and men.

<sup>2</sup> Sayana does not explain *dyajyavak*  
*sumatim vtiwavardh*.